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ITINERARY OF THE PENNSYLVANIA LINE
FROM PENNSYLVANIA TO SOUTH
CAROLINA, 1781-1782.

The Historical Society of Pennsylvania has recently acquired upwards of one thousand letters and documents of General Anthony Wayne, connected with his campaign against the Indians; an Orderly Book covering the investment and surrender of Yorktown, Virginia; and an itinerary of the Pennsylvania Line from York, Pennsylvania, to South Carolina, 1781-1782; and several Farm Books of the Waynesborough estate, many of the entries being in the handwriting of the owner.

In February of 1781, Gen. Wayne was ordered to the command of a force of about 800 men, to be selected from the six regiments of the Pennsylvania Line, then rendezvousing at York, Penna., destined to reinforce Gen. Greene in the South. Owing to the lack of equipment and sufficient transportation, and the mutiny which broke out and the ringleaders executed, Wayne's force was not able to move until May 26. The writer of the itinerary has not been positively identified.

ITINERARY.

York Town, Penna. 26 May 1781. March'd from York, this morning 9 o'clock under command Brig. Gen. Wayne & encamp'd on the road for Fredericktown,—11 miles.

May 27. Troops took up line of march at sunrise and encamp'd near Peter Little's Town,—14 miles.

May 28. Gen^l beat at day break, march'd at sunrise, passed through Tawney Town, encamp'd on Pipe Creek—14 miles.

May 29. Gen^l beat at day break, march'd at sunrise & encamp'd at S. W. side Manocasy,—15 miles.

May 30. This day we continued on this ground,

soldiers wash'd their clothes, cleaned their arms, & was review'd in the evening by Gen. Wayne.

May 31. Gen^l beat at day break, troops took up the line of march at sunrise, passed through Fredericktown, Maryland, & reach'd Potomack, which in crossing in scows one unfortunately sunk some distance from shore, loaded with Q. M. stores & men, of which one sergeant and four men were drown'd. Encamp'd on the S. W. side the river, the officers baggage not being cross'd; night very wet, we took shelter in Col. Clapam's negro quarters where we tolerable agreeably pass'd the night,—11 miles.

June 1. Loudon Co, Va. Continued on the ground till evening in consequence of the wet, when we mov'd on our way to Leesburg,—5 miles.

June 2. Very wet, disagreeable time, continued here today.

June 3. Took up line of march at 10 o'clock, passed through Leesburg, the appearance of which I was much disappointed in, encamp'd at Goose Creek,—15 miles.

June 4. March'd from Goose Creek at 6 o'clock in the morning at which place we left our baggage & sick & proceeded through a low country (Prince William Co), road bad & encamp'd at ——— House,—18 miles.

June 5. A wet morning; clear'd off at 10 o'clock; marched at one on our way to Rappahannock; this night we lay out without shelter,—12 miles.

June 6. Took up the line of [march] at 6 o'clock, road very bad, encamp'd at 12 in the woods,—9 miles.

June 7. Farquar Co. This day we continued on this ground in consequence of a heavy rain pouring at night.

June 8. Culpepper Co., Took up the line of march at sunrise, waded the north branch of Rappahannock and encamp'd at ——— Ordinary,—16 miles.

June 9. March'd at 6 o'clock in the morning, waded the South branch Rappahannock, encamp'd near ——— Ordinary, the country very poor & buildings small,—16 miles.

June 10, Orange Co. Gen^l beat at day break, troops took up line of march at sunrise; this day we pass'd a body of Militia, to number of 1800, & encamp'd in a poor barren country,—23 miles.

June 11. Troops march'd at sunrise, encamp'd at 10 o'clock,—10 miles.

June 12. Took up line of march at 6 o'clock, pass'd pines, sands, woods, & wilds, at length got to the main road leading to Fredericksburg,—11 miles.

June 13. Troops continued in this encampment this day.

June 14. We here join'd the Infantry under the Marquis [Lafayette] comm'd; march'd at sunrise through a miserable poor country, left our tents & lay out every night without tents,—9 miles.

June 15, Hanover Co. Took up line of march at sunrise; this day was attended with much fatigue & no water fit for use to be met with,—13 miles.

June 16. March'd at sunrise 6 miles & halt'd; Lieut. White & myself walk'd out to see the people & happen'd on a Mr. Parker from Penna., which family I once had known in the State,—6 miles.

June 17. March'd at 3 o'clock a.m. through the best and most fertile country we had seen in the State; encamp'd at Mr. Dandridge's Tavern,—20 miles.

June 18. A fine morning, I mounted guard this day; Tarlton's Corps advanc'd in the country, our camp struck, at retreat, all the Continental troops march'd under cover of night in order to surprise them, but at daylight we arrived at the spot where they were, they had then been gone 2 hours,—13 miles.

June 19. Henrico Co. We lay on this ground till 10 o'clock p.m., then return'd a few miles & took shelter in the woods,—4 miles.

June 20. March'd at 6 o'clock to Col. Simm's Mills where we were reviewed by the Gen^l at 5 in the evening,—4 miles.

June 21. Troops march'd at 12 o'clock a.m. to Bur-

rell's Ordinary where we pass'd the night; Capt Wilson & myself din'd with Col. Stewart on his joining the army, —8 miles.

June 22. New Kent Co. March'd at 2 o'clock a.m. through a very well inhabited country, though can form a slender idea of the people as we see them only paraded on the road as we march along; this day we march'd through Richmond in 24 hours after the enemy had left it, which appeared to be a scene of much distress; we encamp'd 3 miles below it; Capt. Bartholomew & self return'd to the town where we pass'd the afternoon at Jos. Humphrey's in comp^y with a Mrs. Parke, a lady from Penna. & 2 Carolina ladys,—18 miles.

June 23. March'd at 2 o'clock a.m., halted at 8, when we had intelligence the enemys horse were within one mile of us. The army immediately form'd for action; universal joy prevail'd amongst us of certain success. We lay in this position some hours when we were inform'd it was a false alarm; moved our position for convenience of ground,—8 miles.

June 24, Sunday, James City Co. We lay on this ground this day, making ready for speedy & rapid movem^t; one of our soldiers taken deserting to the enemy was tried at 4 o'clock & shot at sun set. March'd at dark in order to endeavour to surprise Tarlton's Corps—he had information of our approach & retir'd—we encamp'd,—12 miles.

June 25. The weather so excessive warm we were obliged to lay by in daytime, in the evening we march'd to intercept Col. Simcoe who was detach'd in order to collect a quantity of cattle,—9 miles.

June 26. At 6 o'clock in the morning we came in sight of a party of Horse who on our approach retir'd before us, the first platoon of each Battⁿ was ordered out to pursue them, with Capt. Ogden's company of Infantry who mounted behind a corps of Horse we had; these overtook them which brought on a warm action at a place

call'd Hotwater. We in this affair took about 30 head of cattle, several horses, & kill'd 20 men on the spot, with inconsiderable loss.

June 27. We mov'd to Byrd's Ordinary where we lay, I mount'd guard,—7 miles.

June 28. Struck our camp & mov'd for advantage of ground—4 miles.

June 29. Made several marches into the country in consequence of bad intelligence.

June 30. Troops excessively fatigued, we lay by greater part of the day—tents joined us this evening.

July 1. Col. Basett's, York River. Troops march'd this morning to York River in order to wash, where Dr. Downy was unfortunately drown'd, suppos'd by a fit of the Cramps,—16 miles.

July 2. Took up line of march, proceeded to Byrd's Ordinary; returned this night to our former post,—12 miles.

July 3. Took up line of march at sunrise, proceeded to somebodys old fields; about this time many soldiers very weary—7 miles.

July 4. A very wet morning, clear'd off about 10 o'clock. We had a feu-de-joy in the afternoon in celebration of Independence & fir'd three rounds blank cartridge.

July 5. March'd from this ground this evening at 7 o'clock on our way for Williamsburg, as far as Chickahominy Church, where we lay on our arms till sunrise.

July 6. March'd at 5 o'clock a.m. for Jamestown, where the enemy at this time lay in force. When the army had advanc'd within 5 miles of this town the 1st Penna. Battⁿ was detach'd with a number of Riflemen to Green Springs who brought on a scattering fire which continued for 3 hours, when a body of Light Infantry came with the other two Batt^{l^{ns}} of Penna. troops. The line was display'd & we advanced—by this time the enemy was meeting us, when a gen^l action ensued. At the distance of 100 yards we charg'd on their main body under a

heavy and incessant fire of grape & canister shot; at this instant we opened our musquetry. Their right flanking our left a retreat was found necessary with the loss of 2 pieces of artillery; we retired to a Church where we lay the night.

July 7. This day we lay at the Church dressing our wounded & sending them off to Hospitals.

July 8. At 12 o'clock this day we march'd on our way towards James River for convenience of camp,—3 miles—this evening I went to Byrd's Ordinary to see the officers & men that was wounded.

July 9. *Charles City County, Holt's Forge & Mills.* I return'd to camp; a warm day, water scarce & bad.

July 10. Troops march'd at 2 o'clock p.m. to Holts Iron Works; this country is good but surprisingly reduced by the enemy.

July 11. We lay here this day, troops wash & clean arms.

July 12. Troops march'd at 7 o'clock a.m. towards James River, roads bad; we hourly see the wanton destruction of the British here.

July 13. We had orders this day for cleaning our arms & preparing for an incorporation of the 3^d Batt^ln.

July 14. The incorporation took place & officers determin'd who was for going & who for remaining with the troops.

July 15. This day took in crossing James River at 4 Mile Creek Ferry, where our brother officers took their leave of us. We made some miles & encamp'd in a good country,—7 miles.

July 16. *Chesterfield Co.* March'd at 3 o'clock p.m. and encamp'd at Ware Church,—10 miles.

July 17. Troops march'd at 3 o'clock p.m. for Chesterfield Court House; the water in this county very good as yet, as well the country,—12 miles.

July 18. Troops march'd at 3 o'clock p.m. to Cheatam's Farm where we lay without our tents,—12 miles.

July 19. Good's Bridge, Appomatox River, Amelia County. Encamp'd at Good's Bridge, weather dull & frequent showers of rain.

July 20. Troops laid on this ground.

July 21. Troops lay still, cool pleasant weather.

July 22. This day we had a Sold^r executed for marauding.

July 23. I spent the day with Gen. Wayne & pass'd the afternoon.

July 24. We remov'd our Camp 200 yards just in rear for advantage of fresh ground. No particular accounts of the enemy.

July 25. This day this Bridge fell in about 2 o'clock; it was 30 feet high, of a very singular construction. A number of soldiers were on or about it, as well women under it washing, yet no one was hurt.

July 26. Wet disagreeable morning.

July 27. No particular news; we exercise our men by Batt^l^a in the morning.

July 28. Rode out in the country to see it; dined at Mr. Bookers.

July 29. Orders to march tomorrow morning.

July 30. Gen^l beat at daylight, troops march'd by the night to Walkins's Mill,—9 miles.

July 31. We lay still this day, the country good & fertile.

August 1. Dunwoody Co. Troops march'd along brisk through this country; encamp'd in an orchard,—12 miles.

Aug. 2. Troops march'd at day light this day, we encamp'd at Monsyon's Bridge; so far on our way we expected for South Carolina,—14 miles.

Aug. 3. Gen^l beat at day light. This day we counter-marched & return'd to join the Marquis at James River,—21 miles.

Aug. 4. Gen^l beat at day break. Troops march'd for Wistam Ford, 8 miles above Richmond. Cap^{ts} Bartholomew, Boude & myself rode to Richmond, remain'd all night at Manchester,—11 miles.

Aug. 5. Troops pass'd the river, encamp'd on North Bank. We return'd to camp from Wistam.

Aug. 6. Troops lay on this ground this day, which place the enemy had occupied before us. Near this place a Mr. Ballantine attempted to confine the James River to a single canal in order to transport the produce of the upper counties past the Falls, which he affected in part, also a foundery & bloomery & an excellent Malt & Brew house, all of which were consumed by Gen. Arnold except the Brew house.

Aug. 7. We lay in camp this day, when a body of Militia pass'd in command of Gen. Campbell.

Aug. 8. March'd this morning at 1 o'clock a.m.; passed through Richmond just at day light & encamp'd 3 miles below it—10 miles.

Aug. 9. Gen^l beat at 1 o'clock a.m.; troops march'd to Bottom Bridge & encamp'd on the Savage farm. This day our baggage join'd us from Cox's Mills, all well,—12 miles.

Aug. 10. We continu'd on this ground, the enemy in force at Williamsburg.

Aug. 11. Troops lay on this ground, this country good and an excellent spring of water here for which reason this Mr. Savage is a capital sufferer.

Aug. 12. Heavy rains. A soldier of the Virg^a Line executed for attempting mutiny, Capt. Kirkpatrick.

Aug. 13. Weather continues wet.

Aug. 14. A fine day.

Aug. 15. Troops lay on this ground; din'd at Doctor Hall's in comp^y with several gentlemen of the Line; 8 miles out of camp.

Aug. 16. Nothing material, lay still at this farm.

Aug. 17. Gen^l beat this morning at 2 o'clock. We march'd to Phillip's Farm near Newcastle & within 2 miles of Hanover Town—12 miles.

Aug. 18. *New Castle, Hanover Co.* A wet day, the country abounds in Watermellons.

Aug. 19. Nothing material occurs.

Aug. 20. Troops lay still; Mr. North, M^cKenny & myself rode out to see the country & a certain Mr. Shelton's seat which was elegant & his situation singular.

Aug. 21. No movement of the army.

Aug. 22. Weather cool & pleasant; rode out & dined at a Mr. Andersons' in company with a number of Virga^a officers.

Aug. 23. Troops march'd at 6 o'clock a.m. & return'd to Savage's Farm where we encamp'd,—14 miles.

Aug. 24. March'd at 4 o'clock a. m. towards James River, & encamp'd at Mrs. Byrd's Farm, whose situation is beautiful. This Byrd in his lifetime was look'd on as the richest man in Virginia, but left an estate much involv'd, with a number of young children,—16 miles.

Aug. 25. Troops lay still this day admiring the greatness of this man's house and improvements.

Aug. 26. Attended Divine worship on the banks of the River under an elegant shade.

Aug. 27. Troops march'd this morning at 6 o'clock a.m. to Mawbin Mill, where is erected a stone monument in memory of a very extraordinary freshet in James River, year '71,—9 miles.

Aug. 28. Troops march'd this day at 2 o'clock a.m. to Westover,—6 miles.

Aug. 29. This day we lay on this ground furbushing our arms & cleaning our linens.

Aug. 30. This day we lay still; at night we begun to cross the river at this place which kept us two days—river at this place one mile wide & the boats very bad. Encamp'd on the south side on a Mr. Mead's farm.

September 1, Surry Co. We had information this morning of a French fleet riding in Chesapeake Bay with 4000 troops on board. At 8 o'clock we march'd & encamp'd opposite Jamestown,—6 miles.

Sept. 2. At 10 o'clock this morning a number of boats hove in sight coming up the river, with French troops on

board; they landed on James Island to the number of 3000, commanded by Marquis de St. Simon.

Sept. 3. The French boats cross'd the river this morning at sunrise and our brigade cross'd to Jamestown plains; at sunset we took post at Green Springs—a very heavy rain.

Sept. 4. March'd at day break for Williamsburg; halted on the plains, reviewed at 4 o'clock p.m. by the Marquis St. Simon. This night took post in the College, —6 miles.

Sept. 5. Pass'd this day in viewing the city & its public buildings; at night took post in rear of town in a thicket of Woods.

Sept. 6. This morning at 6 o'clock our troops took up the line of march & pass'd thro the city & halt'd at Col. Burrell's Mill, within 7 miles of York. We were now the advanced corps of the army.

Sept. 7. This morning a small party of the enemy's cavalry came within musquet shot of our advanc'd picquet; they return'd after being fir'd upon.

Sept. 8. We were reliev'd by the advance Corps of the army, appointed in orders, Gen^l Muhlenberg commanded. We march'd & joined the army at Williamsburg. I was ordered to superintend the baggage crossing James River.

Sept. 9. I went to see Gen^l Wayne from the river at his sick-quarters, din'd with him this day as well as yesterday; return'd to camp in the evening. [Wayne had been shot in the leg by a sentry, who had mistaken him for an enemy.]

Sept. 10. Reports this day say a gen^l action has been fought off Chesapeake Bay between Admirals de Grasse & Hood, that the latter has made to sea & a superior fleet in pursuit of him.

Sept. 11. Nothing material done; with some Militia gentlemen, at the capital landing in company with several gentlemen of the Line.

Sept. 12. Reports say Gen. Washington's on his way to join the army.

Sept. 13. Rode out in the country & returned in the evening.

Sept. 14. Twenty-one pieces of cannon shot announc'd the arrival of His Excellency Gen. Washington in camp. The army paraded & was review'd before he alighted from his horse.

Sept. 15. Much rain today.

Sept. 16. I mount'd the Gen^{ls} Guard. The officers of the Light Infantry & Penna. Brigade waited on the Gen^l to congratulate him on his arrival to the Southern States.

Sept. 17. This morning Gen. Washington with the French Generals left Williamsburg to see Count de Grasse, who lays at Hampton Roads.

Sept. 18. The first detachment from the Northward, land 3 miles below Jamestown.

Sept. 19. This day I rode down to Holt's Mill in Surrey county with Mr. Collin, cross'd the river 6 miles wide, din'd with Col. Hutchins and pass'd an agreeable afternoon; return'd over the river & lay at the mill.

Sept. 20. Return to camp this morning.

Sept. 21. Second Division of the Northern troops arrive.

Sept. 22. The troops move up to Williamsburg.

Sept. 23. Every vigilance made use of in preparing for the siege.

Sept. 24. A second body of the Northward troops move to Williamsburg.

Sept. 25. Nothing occurs.

Sept. 26. Orders this day to move East of town & form the army—Americans on the right & French on the left.

Sept. 27. Orders this evening, troops to march at 5 o'clock tomorrow morning by the left.

Sept. 28. Army march this morning at 5 o'clock for York. On our arrival at its environs the British Horse

appear, the French open some field pieces, they retreat to their works; lay on our arms.

Sept. 29. This morning the army form'd a complete investment round the town & pitch'd our camp under fire of their cannon.

Sept. 30. The enemy this night evacuated their out-works & retreated within their contract'd ones.

October 1. We took possession of their outworks when a warm fire ensued which continued all day, about 40 cannon to the hour & about 10 to the hour on an average by night. Our business at first was to alter their deserted works and raise covering forts. We had 2 men killed, & Col. Scammel wounded & taken.

Oct. 2. A continual firing from the enemys works.

Oct. 3. A constant & unabating cannonade, our works go on briskly. A soldier desert'd who could give them information where to direct their shot, which killed 3 men & wounded a fourth.

Oct. 4. Our cannon & mortars arrive. This day Col. Tarlton made a charge on Duke de Luzon's Legion on Gloucester side.

Oct. 5. Our works go on rapidly. Some unfortunate men daily kill'd. A number of men preparing cannon catridges & the teams of the army all employed hauling cannon, mortars, balls and shells from the landing.

Oct. 6. A wet day. This night we run our first parallel, 3000 fatigue men at work.

Oct. 7. Preparing our batteries & making platforms under a horrid fire.

Oct. 8. We mount 10, 18 & 24 pounders & the French the same.

Oct. 9. This day, this happy day, we return'd their fire. American & French flags twisted on our batteries.

Oct. 10. Secretary Nelson came out who says, our shells do much damage & execution.

Oct. 11. Our works go on rapid. We broke ground & begin our second parallel.

Oct. 12. A tremendous fire from both sides.

Oct. 13. Two Hessian deserters came in, everything favorable.

Oct. 14. This morning a deserter says, the Infantry refuse doing duty, that Cornwallis promises them that they will be relieved from N. York & give each a pipe of wine. The Marquis at dark, storm their river battery & Baron Viominel storm'd another on their extreme to the left, with very little loss. We run our second parallel complete.

Oct. 15. This night the enemy made a sally & impos'd themselves on the French for Americans, forc'd their works & made themselves masters of an American battery which they spik'd, imposition being found out they retir'd with 8 men kill'd on the spot.

Oct. 16. Our batteries completing very fast in the second parallel.

Oct. 17. At 11 o'clock His Lordship closes the scene by propositions for deputies from each army to meet at Moore's House to agree on terms for the surrender of York & Gloucester. An answer sent by 3 o'clock when a cessation of arms took place.

Oct. 18. Flags alternately passing this day.

Oct. 19. At 1 o'clock this day our troops march'd in & took possession of their works & the British march'd out, the American and French armies form a lane through which the British pass & ground their arms.

Oct. 20. Lay quiet this day cleaning our arms—our Brigade in the trenches.

Oct. 21. British march out for their cantonments under Militia Gr^{ds}.

Oct. 22. York affords very good Port Wine.

Oct. 23. Orders for the troops to hold themselves in readiness to march on the shortest notice.

Oct. 24. Marquis de St. Simon's troops embark their cannon.

Oct. 25. Demolish our works by Brigades.

Oct. 26. Expectations of a supply of necessities from the merchants of York & Gloucester.

Oct. 27. Reports say, Sir H'. Clinton's embark'd from N. York for Virg^a.

Oct. 28. The American cannon put on board vessels for the Head of Elk.

Oct. 29. Nothing material.

Oct. 30. I was on duty at Gloucester.

November 1. Col. Tarlton dismounted from his horse by an inhabitant who claims him, in the midst of the street.

Nov. 2. A supply of clothing purchased by agents appointed for that purpose.

Nov. 3. Distributions of the supplies.

Nov. 4. Orders for Penna. & Maryland troops to march tomorrow for South Carolina. [2d., 3rd., 5th Penna Line, and Col. Gists' Maryland Line.]

Nov. 5. Gen^l beat at 6 o'clock; tents struck & loaded; troops marched at 9 to Burrell's Mill.

Nov. 6. Gen^l beat at day light, troops marched at sunrise, pass'd through Williamsburg, encamp'd at Byrd's Ordinary,—18 miles.

Nov. 7. Gen^l beat at day light, march'd at sunrise, encamp'd at Kent Court House,—14 miles.

Nov. 8. March'd at sunrise, encamp'd at Bottom Bridge,—10 miles.

Nov. 9. Troops march'd at sunrise, encamped at Richmond,—13 miles.

Nov. 10. Troops begin to pass the river, craft very unsuitable for the purpose.

Nov. 11. Wagons & amunition passing the river, Maryland Line over.

Nov. 12. Our Brigade begins to pass the river. Weather very cold & wet.

Nov. 13. Continue crossing the river; one boat sunk in the middle, but the men made the shore; one horse drowned.

Nov. 14. Maryland Line proceed on their way to Petersburg; our Line over.

Nov. 15. Gen^l beat at 11 o'clock, Brigade march'd at 12, encamp'd at Osbourne's Warehouses,—6 miles.

Nov. 16. March'd at sunrise, encamp'd at Petersburg,—16 miles.

Nov. 17. Crossed Appomatox River, encamp'd one mile west of the town; rainy day.

Nov. 18. *Brunswick Co.* Troops lay in Camp this day.

Nov. 19. Gen^l beat at daylight; troops marched at sunrise, encamp'd near Dunwoody Court House,—19 miles.

Nov. 20. March'd at sunrise, encamp'd at Nottaway Bridge; road very bad,—14 miles.

Nov. 21. March'd at sunrise, encamp'd at Earl Edmisons,—15 miles.

Nov. 22. March'd at sunrise, encamp'd at Mitchells Ordinary,—15 miles.

Nov. 23. *Mechlenberg Co.* March'd at sunrise, encamp'd at Hugh Millers,—14 miles.

Nov. 24. March'd at sunrise; arrived at Roanoke 11 o'clock, cross'd with great expedition; this river is about 200 yds wide & deep.

Nov. 25. Our troops lay quiet waiting for the Maryland Line. Multitude of wild deer & turkeys here; a heavy rain.

Nov. 26. Troops lay still; went out hunting, I fired at 2 turkeys, miss'd them both.

Nov. 27. Maryland Line cross the river. I rode out to see the country.

Nov. 28. Confin'd to camp in consequence of wet day.

Nov. 29. Gen^l beat at daylight; troops march'd at sunrise; Maryland Line march'd in front alternately; encamp'd at Williamsboro,—10 miles.

Nov. 30. *Mechlenburg Co., North Carolina.* March'd at sunrise; country new & not much cultivated, but tolerable good: encamp'd at Harrisburg,—12 miles.

December 1. Marched at sunrise to Gen^l Parsons, a

militia Gen^l who owns report say 65,000 acres of land, a fine country; encamp'd near his house,—12 miles.

Dec. 2. Grenville Co. March'd at sunrise; the roads sloppy; encamp'd at Pain's Ordinary—16 miles, our course in gen^l S. W.

Dec. 3. March'd this morning at sunrise, pass'd Caswell Court House & cross'd Hico Creek,—10 miles.

Dec. 4. March'd at sunrise, cross'd County Line Creek when it began to snow & continued till night, when it was 6 inches deep. Capt. Bartholomew unfortunately broke his leg by a fall from his horse. Encamp'd at Summers,—19 miles.

Dec. 5., Caswell Co. Troops lay on this ground, roads very bad.

Dec. 6. 100 men commanded by Major Moore, left here to bring on the heavy baggage. Capt. Boude & myself leave camp to see Capt. Bartholomew; dine at Col. Dubbs & stay all night.

Dec. 7. This day troops march'd at sunrise, the country very good. Waded Haw River at High Rock Ford, encamp'd at it,—16 miles.

Dec. 8., Guilford Co. Troops march'd at sunrise. We can form no idea of the people, as we see none but such as pass or overtake us on the road. Encamp'd at Guilford Court House,—20 miles.

Dec. 9. Troops lay in camp; very wet & cold.

Dec. 10. Troops still keep this post, roads bad.

Dec. 11. Troops march'd at sunrise through a good looking country, settled by Quakers. Encamp'd at Barney Hides on Abbott Creek. This night Capt. Boude & myself joined the troops after staying some days with Capt. Bartholomew,—15 miles.

Dec. 12., Rowan Co. The troops took up the line of march at sunrise; pass'd through a German settlement chiefly from Penna., who farm as we do. We left a Moravian town about 8 miles to our right; encamp'd at a Mr. McCreary's,—16 miles.

Dec. 13. This morning march'd at sunrise; arriv'd at the Yadkin River, which is very handsome, about 80 perches wide. Troops pass'd in boats, our wagons & cattle waded. Encamp'd within a mile of its banks.

Dec. 14. Troops march'd at sunrise; pass'd through Salisbury, a remote but tolerable handsome town, with about 60 houses; encamp'd on its environs,—7 miles.

Dec. 15. Troops march'd at sunrise and encamp'd at a Mr. Taylors,—12 miles.

Dec. 16. Troops march'd at sunrise; waded Coddle Creek & cross'd Rocky River on a bridge we made. Encamp'd on its banks,—14 miles. Din'd with Gen. Wayne & visit'd a Catawba town belonging to Indians of that nation.

Dec. 17., Mecklinburg Co. We lay on this ground in consequence of a heavy rain preceeding night.

Dec. 18. Troops march'd at sunrise; the country very good, cover'd with Oaks & Hickory. Encamp'd near Charlotte, a small town which has suffer'd much with both armies—about 40 houses,—14 miles.

Dec. 19. March at sunrise; roads bad, country likewise; encamp'd at Clem's Branch,—15 miles.

Dec. 20., Camden District S. C. March'd at sunrise pass'd through a country adjoining Catawba River & belong'd to a weak nation of that name. Encamp'd on Twelve Mile Creek, which we were oblig'd to make a bridge over of loose trees for the troops,—10 miles. This country almost destitute of inhabitants.

Dec. 21., Waxaw Settlement. March'd at 12 o'clock, encamp'd on Waxaw Creek—these creeks very full, all run a westerly course,—6 miles.

Dec. 22. Troops march'd at sunrise; cross'd several small creeks. Encamp'd near a Major Bartley's who was a staunch Whig when Cornwallis reign'd here,—10 miles.

Dec. 23. March'd at sunrise through a poor country, destitute of any inhabitants. This days march we pass Hanging Rocks—the road had marks of Gates defeat,

such as broken wagons & camp furniture. Encamp'd near Flat Rock,—20 miles. We here alter our course S. East.

Dec. 24. Gen^l beat at daylight, troops march'd at sunrise. The country uninhabited & will remain so I presume. A very wet day & waded several creeks. Encamp'd near Camden,—18 miles.

Dec. 25. The troops lay still; today eight officers of the Battlⁿ din'd by invitation with a Mr. LaCount, where we fared well & spent an agreeable afternoon.

Dec. 26., Camden. Troops march'd at sunrise & cross'd the Wateree River $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from town. This river is about 200 yds wide & runs very deep. No tide water so high up in the country. The town consists of about —— & very genteel inhabitants, which was stockaded & fortified by Lord Rawden. Encamp'd on the south side,—4 miles.

Dec. 27. Troops march'd at sunrise; pass'd through a low country compos'd of reed swamps; encamp'd at Reynold's Mill,—8 miles.

Dec. 28. Troops march'd at sunrise through a poor country & destitute of any inhabitants; known by the name of Sand Hills. Encamp'd on the banks of Congeree River,—23 miles.

Dec. 29. Troops march'd at 8 o'clock a.m., cross'd Congeree River in very good flats. This river is 300 yds. wide & very handsome. Encamp'd on the south side, near Col. Thompsons,—6 miles.

Dec. 30. Troops march'd at 9 o'clock, through a good country; encamp'd at Adam Frutley's;—12 miles. Many of the inhabitants of this day were Dutch people.

Dec. 31. Troops march'd at sunrise; the country thinly settled by Germans. Encamp'd at Orangeburg, where were a body of Militia commanded by Gen. Sumter, —12 miles.

1782, January 1. Troops march'd at sunrise through a wilderness country. Waded 20 swamps & creeks many

deep. Encamp'd on a small height in the midst of them where we saw wild parrots or parroquets,—20 miles.

Jany. 2. Troops march'd at sunrise. We pass'd through a great many fine bodies of Pine; no kind of inhabitants. Waded a number of creeks or rather guts of water communicating from one to another. Encamp'd as yesterday,—15 miles.

Jany. 3. March'd at sunrise; low wet country; pass'd through a most elegant saw mill on Edisto River, which works with 8 saws on one frame. Encamp'd on Hickory Ridge,—10 miles.

Jany. 4. March'd at sunrise and join'd the main army, Round O. Camp & pitch'd our tents,—3 miles.

Jany. 5. Our time now devoted in cleaning ourselves & resting, after just 2 months march.

Jany. 6. I rode to see my brother at Mr. Fergusons & in order to see the Rice farms; was curious to know how the farmers raise this grain.

Jany. 7. A command of our Line of 100 men, properly officer'd to join the Infantry already detach'd; Major Hamilton was ordered to this duty.

Jany. 8. Some gentlemen of this country din'd with us in camp.

Jany. 9. Pennsy^a Brigade march'd this morning at 9 o'clock for Jacksonborough where the Legislature now convenes. Encamp'd in its environs,—12 miles.

Jany. 10. Mr. Kinney and myself went a hunting; call'd at a house where lived a Mr. Dewees from Penna.; din'd with him and pass'd the afternoon.

Jany. 11, Jacksonborough. The army now at Round O. struck and loaded their baggage, march'd towards this post. Our tents struck & baggage loaded as well. March'd in the evening cross'd ponpon, proceeded towards John's Island, where the Infantry had collected for the purpose of carrying it, the whole army in our rear, but the tide unfortunately happened to be high, preventing our crossing.

Feby. . This day the Island & fort precipitately evacuated; we retir'd some miles & lay in this situation 12 days.

Feby. 24. We moved to ponpon; here we met our tents & baggage, when we form'd a regular encampment & built chimneys. (This being our situation, nothing material occur'd until 22 March, when the troops march'd down towards Charleston. Took post this night at Stone Church where we continued 2 nights.)

March 24. March'd for Bacon Bridge, 16 miles from the Quarter House, our detachment & Light Corps about half the distance at times. The enemy formidable at their advanced works—these being our material occurrences & movements until April 12.

April 13. I was on guard at Bacon Bridge; 2 flags went into the enemy.

April 14. The weather very fine & pleasant. Our cavalry & infantry retir'd 10 miles in rear of the army to refresh. The enemy came out as far as Bacon Bridge & took Lieut. Carrington who was there & retir'd.

July 7. Nothing of material consequence turn'd up except the customary movements of armies, until this day when the army march'd at sunrise by the left to Chattles Farm on Ashley River; we are now within 8 miles of the Quarter House. We arriv'd at this ground at 9 o'clock; the weather now excessively warm. No particular accounts of our neighbours.

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